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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Achim Berthold
Serial No. : 09/830,300 / Conf. No. 8251
Filing Date : July 5, 2001
Examiner / Group Art Unit : Sharmila S. Gollamudi / 1616
Title : Therapeutic System Containing an Active
Substance for the Application on the Skin which
Contains at least Two Polymerous Layers
Attorney File : RO0282US.RCE (#90568)

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Reply to Office Action Issued July 2, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the first Office action dated July 2, 2003, please amend the above identified application without prejudice as follows: